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REPORT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SECTION.

During the present year the regular meetings of the Section have been held and the average attendance was twelve persons. The verbal communications have been of interest and have had scientific value. The collections have been cared for and are in a good state of preservation. Many specimens have been acquired both by purchase and donation; the more important being the Griffith collection of exotic Coleoptera, numbering 10,000 specimens purchased from the heirs of the late Dr. H. G. Griffith; donations from H. A. Pilsbry, 212 specimens from Florida and Tennessee; E. G. Vanatta, 460 specimens from Maryland; Dr. A. D. Smith, J. E. and G. Farnum, 103 specimens from Manchuria; R. Weber, 93 specimens from Palestine; H. Skinner, 178 specimens from Utah; H. W. Wenzel, 150 specimens from Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The Academy has purchased two handsome mahogany cases for the plaster casts of butterflies presented by Mr. C. H. Hutchinson. The *Entomological News*, the journal of the Section, has been continued, and the volume for the year completed with 304 pages and six plates. One member has died, and three associates were elected.

The Section needs more room space, and a Conservator who can devote all his time to the exacting work required to care for the collections and incorporate the large amount of new material constantly being acquired. At the annual meeting held December 28, the following officers were elected for the year 1900:

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| <i>Director,</i> | . | . | . | . | . | Philip Laurent. |
| <i>Vice-Director,</i> | . | . | . | . | . | H. W. Wenzel. |
| <i>Treasurer,</i> | . | . | . | . | . | E. T. Cresson. |
| <i>Conservator and Recorder,</i> | . | . | . | . | . | Henry Skinner, M.D. |
| <i>Secretary,</i> | . | . | . | . | . | William J. Fox. |
| | | | | | | HENRY SKINNER, |
| | | | | | | <i>Recorder.</i> |

REPORT OF THE BOTANICAL SECTION.

The slow but steady progress that has marked the history of the Botanical Section for several years still continues. The meetings have been held at the regular stated periods, distinguished botan-